

# Charm physics at Belle II

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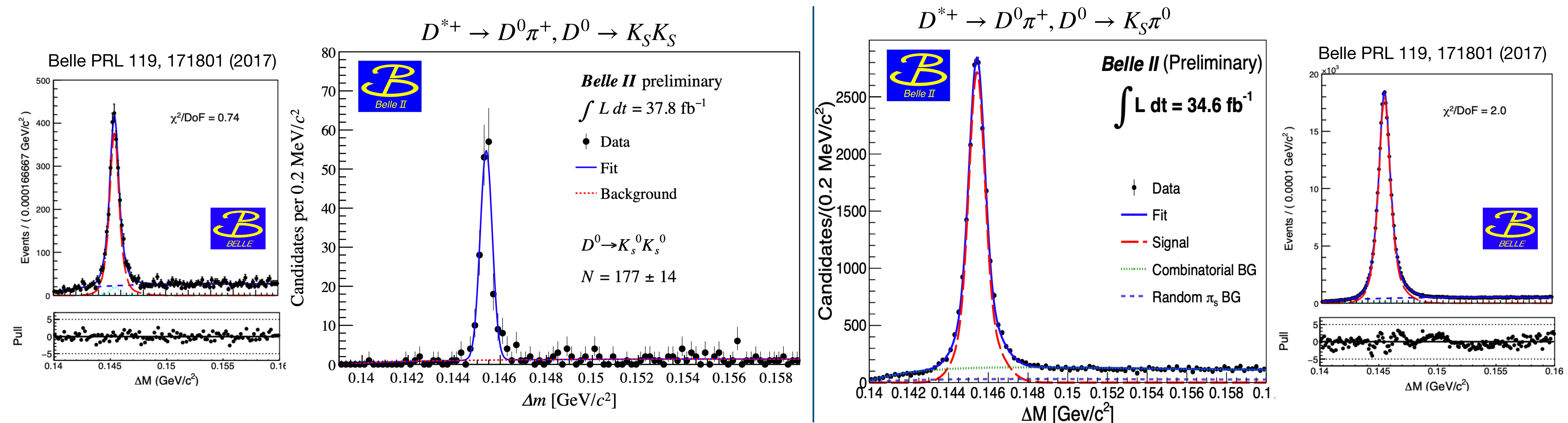


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# Belle II prospects and status

- Goal: collect 50x the Belle data - tens of billions of charm mesons, baryons
- Belle II can measure, in both neutral and charged final states, branching fractions, CP asymmetries, isospin asymmetries, polarization, etc.
- Since data taking began in 2019, collected  $\sim 75 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ 
  - Useful to study reconstruction performance, resolutions, systematics, etc.
  - Performance approaching that of Belle after just 1.5 years, though there is room for improvements



\*qualitative comparisons only



# Potential for direct CPV measurements with 50 ab<sup>-1</sup>

- Comprehensive search for direct CPV, including final states with neutral particles
  - Important to clarify the picture of CPV in the charm sector
- Precision on the order of 10<sup>-4</sup> with the full Belle II dataset, even for neutral modes
  - Some particularly interesting modes such as  $D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$ , for which CPV in the SM is negligible

Mode	$\mathcal{L}$ (fb <sup>-1</sup> )	$A_{CP}$ (%)	Belle II 50 ab <sup>-1</sup>
$D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-$	976	$-0.32 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.09$	$\pm 0.03$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$	976	$+0.55 \pm 0.36 \pm 0.09$	$\pm 0.05$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$	966	$-0.03 \pm 0.64 \pm 0.10$	$\pm 0.09$
$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0$	966	$-0.21 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.07$	$\pm 0.02$
$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0$	921	$-0.02 \pm 1.53 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.17$	$\pm 0.23$
$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \eta$	791	$+0.54 \pm 0.51 \pm 0.16$	$\pm 0.07$
$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \eta'$	791	$+0.98 \pm 0.67 \pm 0.14$	$\pm 0.09$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	532	$+0.43 \pm 1.30$	$\pm 0.13$
$D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	281	$-0.60 \pm 5.30$	$\pm 0.40$
$D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$	281	$-1.80 \pm 4.40$	$\pm 0.33$
$D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+$	955	$+0.51 \pm 0.28 \pm 0.05$	$\pm 0.04$
$D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$	921	$+2.31 \pm 1.24 \pm 0.23$	$\pm 0.17$
$D^+ \rightarrow \eta \pi^+$	791	$+1.74 \pm 1.13 \pm 0.19$	$\pm 0.14$
$D^+ \rightarrow \eta' \pi^+$	791	$-0.12 \pm 1.12 \pm 0.17$	$\pm 0.14$
$D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+$	977	$-0.36 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.07$	$\pm 0.02$
$D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 K^+$	977	$-0.25 \pm 0.28 \pm 0.14$	$\pm 0.04$
$D_s^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+$	673	$+5.45 \pm 2.50 \pm 0.33$	$\pm 0.29$
$D_s^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 K^+$	673	$+0.12 \pm 0.36 \pm 0.22$	$\pm 0.05$

Belle II Physics Book

Prog. Th. Exp. Phys. 2019, 1232C01 [arXiv 1808.10567]

# Search for NP through $T$ violation in $D$ decays

- Measure non-zero values for a  $T$ -odd observable to search for  $T$  violation
  - Complimentary to  $CP$  violation measurements due to difference strong-phase dependence in the contributing amplitudes
- Four-body  $D$  decays:

$$C_T = \mathbf{p}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{p}_2 \times \mathbf{p}_3)$$

$$A_T = \frac{\Gamma(C_T > 0) - \Gamma(C_T < 0)}{\Gamma(C_T > 0) + \Gamma(C_T < 0)}$$

$$\bar{A}_T = \frac{\Gamma(-\bar{C}_T > 0) - \Gamma(-\bar{C}_T < 0)}{\Gamma(-\bar{C}_T > 0) + \Gamma(-\bar{C}_T < 0)}$$

$$a_{CP}^{T\text{-odd}} = \frac{1}{2} (A_T - \bar{A}_T)$$

Experiment	Decay	Luminosity	$a_{CP}^{T\text{-odd}}(\%)$
BaBar (2010)	$D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^-$	470 fb <sup>-1</sup>	$+0.10 \pm 0.51 \pm 0.44$
BaBar (2011)	$D^+ \rightarrow K_s K^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	520 fb <sup>-1</sup>	$-1.20 \pm 1.00 \pm 0.46$
LHCb (2014)	$D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^-$	3 fb <sup>-1</sup>	$+0.18 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.04$
Belle (2017)	$D^0 \rightarrow K_s \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	966 fb <sup>-1</sup>	$-0.028 \pm 0.138^{+0.023}_{-0.076}$
Belle (2019)	$D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^-$	966 fb <sup>-1</sup>	$+0.52 \pm 0.37 \pm 0.07$

- Belle II can significantly expand on these measurements
  - Statistical and systematic precision
  - Variety of final states, particularly including neutral particles

# CP violation in charmed baryon decays at Belle II

- Charmed baryon decays largely unexplored
  - LHCb studied  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^+K^-, p\pi^+\pi^-, \Delta A_{CP} = (0.30 \pm 0.91 \pm 0.61)\%$
  - Expectations from U-spin symmetry suggest modes of interest

$$A_{CP}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-K^+) + A_{CP}(\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+\pi^-\pi^+) = 0$$

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- Some significant benefits to studies at Belle II
  - Neutral final states can be accurately measured (e.g.  $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0$ )
  - $e^+e^-$  collisions allow for better disentanglement of detector and production asymmetries
  - More straightforward to extract CP asymmetries, rather than CP asymmetry differences

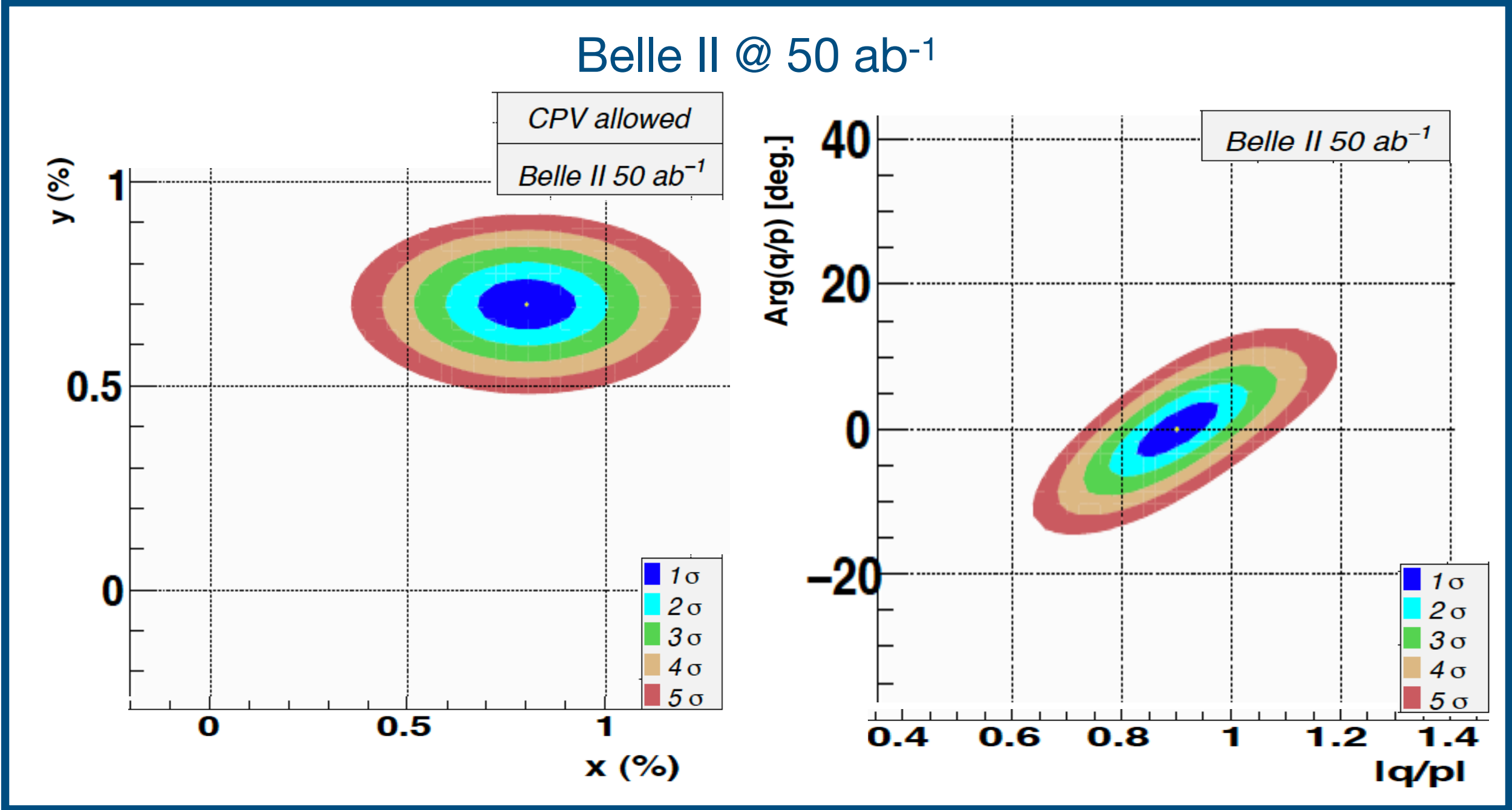
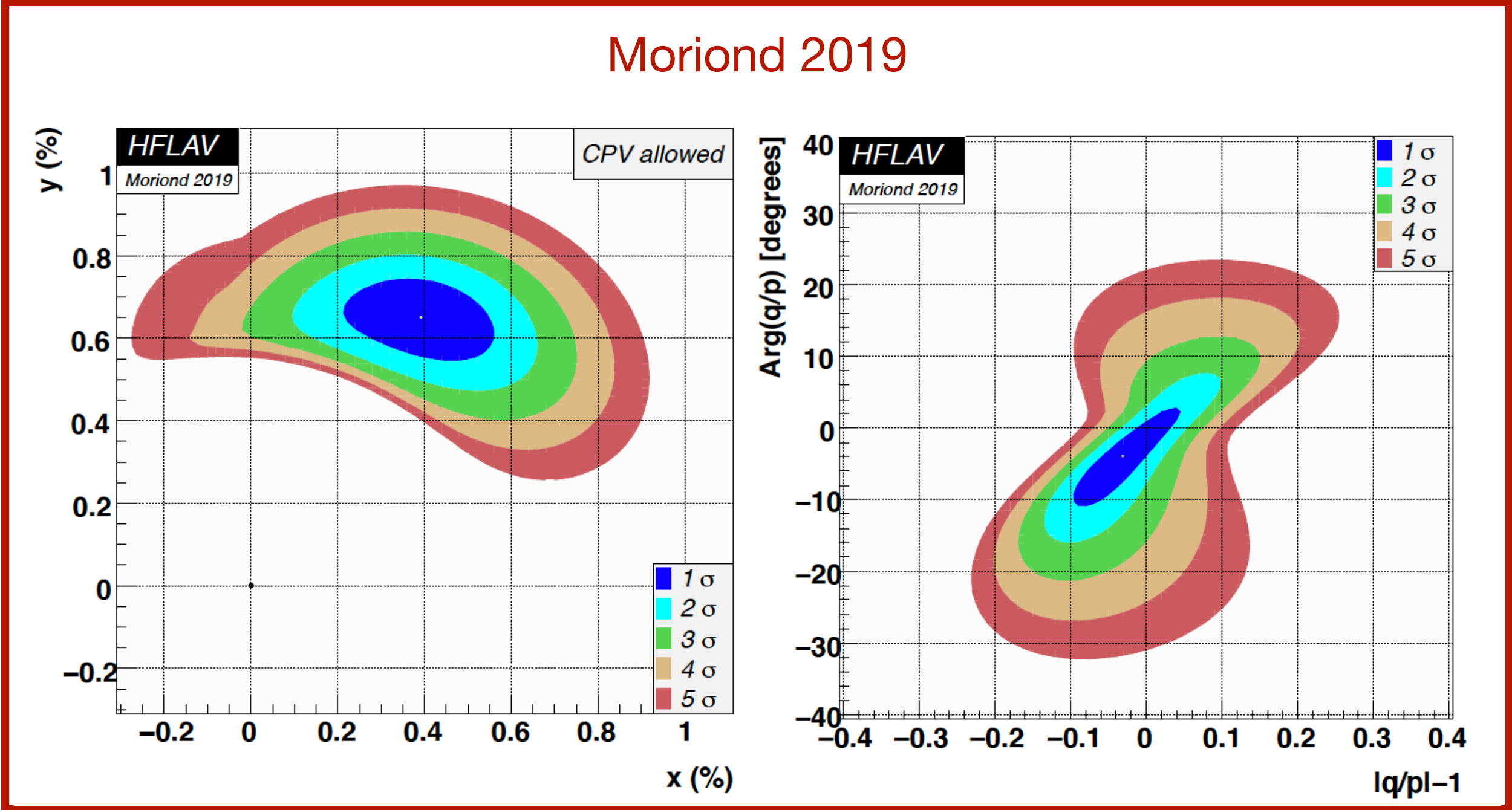


# Indirect CPV in charm mixing

- SM mixing rate is sufficiently small that NP contributions may be detectable
- First evidence of  $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$  mixing from Belle/BaBar in  $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-, \pi^+ \pi^-, K^+ \pi^-$
- Mixing measured in several decay modes from Belle, BaBar, CDF, LHCb
- High statistics Belle II data can improve precision with, for example,  $D^0 \rightarrow K_s \pi^+ \pi^-$

Data	stat.	syst.		Total	stat.	syst.		Total
		red.	irred.			red.	irred.	
	$\sigma_x$ ( $10^{-2}$ )				$\sigma_y$ ( $10^{-2}$ )			
976 fb <sup>-1</sup>	0.19	0.06	0.11	0.20	0.15	0.06	0.04	0.16
5 ab <sup>-1</sup>	0.08	0.03	0.11	0.14	0.06	0.03	0.04	0.08
50 ab <sup>-1</sup>	0.03	0.01	0.11	0.11	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.05
	$ q/p $ ( $10^{-2}$ )				$\phi$ ( $^{\circ}$ )			
976 fb <sup>-1</sup>	15.5	5.2-5.6	7.0-6.7	17.8	10.7	4.4-4.5	3.8-3.7	12.2
5 ab <sup>-1</sup>	6.9	2.3-2.5	7.0-6.7	9.9-10.1	4.7	1.9-2.0	3.8-3.7	6.3-6.4
50 ab <sup>-1</sup>	2.2	0.7-0.8	7.0-6.7	7.0-7.4	1.5	0.6	3.8-3.7	4.0-4.2

Conservative: do not include improvements in decay time resolution, which is a factor of ~2 over Belle/BaBar

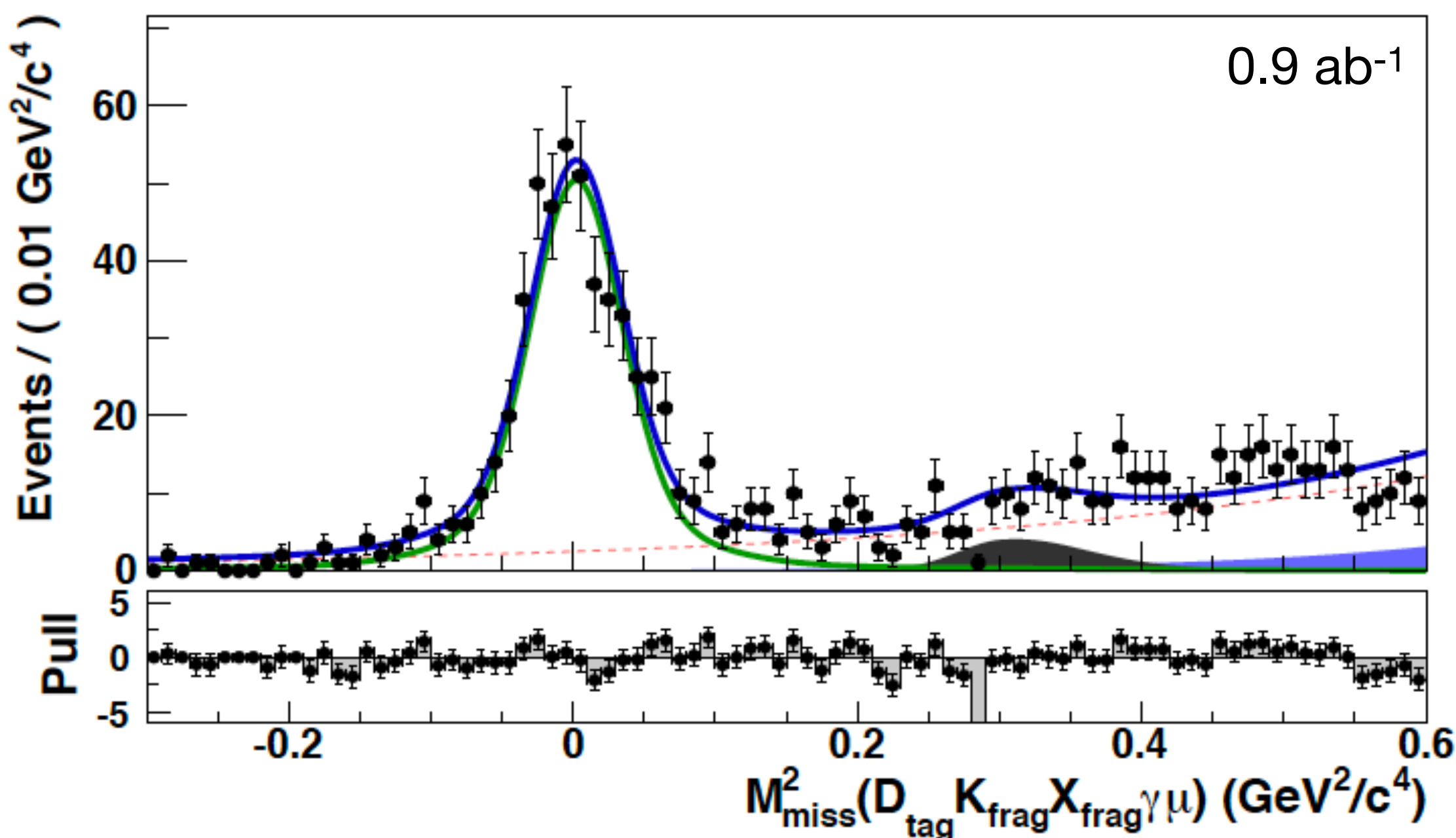


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# Leptonic and semileptonic charm decays

Belle: JHEP 1309, 139 (2013)

- Goal: precise decay constants and form factors
  - Provides a test for Lattice QCD
  - Input from Lattice QCD to measure CKM elements
- Recoil method successfully exploited for Belle  $D_s$  decays
- Belle II statistics allow
  - Measurements of absolute branching fractions
  - Studies of semileptonic decays
  - Searches for rare/forbidden decays with missing energy
- Also works for charmed baryons



Channel	Observable	Belle/BaBar Measurement		Scaled	
		$\mathcal{L}$ [ab <sup>-1</sup> ]	Value	5 ab <sup>-1</sup>	50 ab <sup>-1</sup>
Leptonic Decays					
$D_s^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu$	$\mu^+$ events		$492 \pm 26$	2.7k	27k
	$\tau^+$ events	0.913	$2217 \pm 83$	12.1k	121k
	$f_{D_s}$		2.5%	1.1%	0.34%
$D^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu$	$\mu^+$ events	-	-	125	1250
	$f_D$	-	-	6.4%	2.0%

**Progress heavily dependent on theoretical side**  
 (LQCD improvements necessary to fully exploit larger data sets)

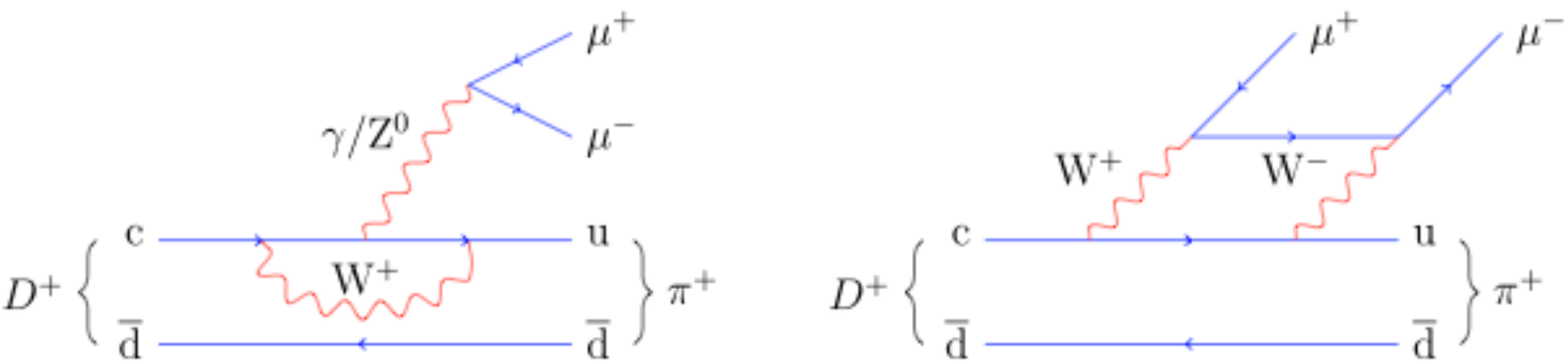


# Rare and radiative decays

- NP contributions could enhance CP asymmetry in radiative decays  $D^0 \rightarrow V\gamma$  by up to an order of magnitude
  - Current measurements statistically limited

measurements statistically limited			Belle result (~1 ab <sup>-1</sup> )	5 ab <sup>-1</sup>	50 ab <sup>-1</sup>
Rare and Radiative Decays					
$D^0 \rightarrow \rho^0 \gamma$	$A_{CP}$		$+0.056 \pm 0.152 \pm 0.006$	$\pm 0.07$	$\pm 0.02$
$D^0 \rightarrow \phi \gamma$	$A_{CP}$	0.943	$-0.094 \pm 0.066 \pm 0.001$	$\pm 0.03$	$\pm 0.01$
$D^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} \gamma$	$A_{CP}$		$-0.003 \pm 0.020 \pm 0.000$	$\pm 0.01$	$\pm 0.003$

- Rare decays generally mediated by quark-level FCNC transitions  $c \rightarrow u\ell^+\ell^-$ ,  $c \rightarrow u\gamma^*$
- Studies of  $c \rightarrow u\ell^+\ell^-$ , analogous to  $b \rightarrow s\ell^+\ell^-$  transitions, useful for tests of LFU/LFV
  - Belle II competitive for electron channels



$D^0 \rightarrow$	$\mathcal{B}$ measured	Belle expected $\sigma(\mathcal{B})$ or $\mathcal{B}$ UL	Belle II expected $\sigma(\mathcal{B})$ or $\mathcal{B}$	SM SD $\mathcal{B}$	SM LD $\mathcal{B}$
$\pi^+ K^- \mu^+ \mu^-$	$4.17 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.40$	$\pm 0.35$	$\pm 0.16$	0	$\sim 10$
$\pi^+ K^- e^+ e^-$	$4.0 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.2$	$\pm 0.35$	$\pm 0.16$	0	$\sim 10$
$\pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-$	$0.96 \pm 0.12$	$\pm 0.35$	$\pm 0.16$	$10^{-3} - 10^{-4}$	$\sim 1$
$\pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$	$< 7$	$\pm 0.35$	$\pm 0.16$	$10^{-3} - 10^{-4}$	$\sim 1$
$K^+ K^- \mu^+ \mu^-$	$0.15 \pm 0.03$	$< 0.7$	$< 0.32$	$\sim 10^{-4}$	$\sim 0.1$
$K^+ K^- e^+ e^-$	$< 11$	$< 0.7$	$< 0.32$	$\sim 10^{-4}$	$\sim 0.1$
$\pi^0 \ell^+ \ell^-$	$< 4$	$< 3.7$	$< 1.7$	$1 \times 10^{-6}$	0.21
$\eta \ell^+ \ell^-$	$< 3$	$< 7.7$	$< 3.5$	$2.5 \times 10^{-4}$	0.05
$\eta' \ell^+ \ell^-$	—	—	—	$9.7 \times 10^{-6}$	0.02
$\bar{K}^0 \ell^+ \ell^-$	$< 24$	$< 7.7$	$< 3.5$	0	0.43

\*Uncertainties scaled to 5  $\text{ab}^{-1}$



# Conclusions

- The Belle II experiment will have a rich charm physics program
  - Direct and indirect CPV studies in charm mesons and baryons
  - Additional prospects in charm spectroscopy (the topic of another talk)
- Belle II is expected to make a wide range of forefront measurements with discovery potential
  - High statistics, good performance for neutral particles
- LOIs: RF/SNOWMASS21-RF1\_RF4\_BelleII-030, RF/SNOWMASS21-RF1\_RF0\_Bennett-021